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This newsletter brings you the latest news, stories, funding opportunities, and related information on cooperation between the European Union and the Western Balkans.

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Made of Us' is here and rolling!

12 young vloggers have begun their six-week road trip during which they will be covering over 6000 kilometres by car and visiting 18 EU-funded projects across the Western Balkans.

This adventure turned into an awareness campaign aims to positively promote the EU-Western Balkans partnership, as well as shine a light on the local people, stories and opportunities that are present in the region.

The [launch took place](#) in Podgorica together with [WeBalkans](#), [DG NEAR](#), and the [EU Delegation in Montenegro](#), kicking off an exciting journey for the vloggers who have teamed in pairs consisting of creators from the Western Balkans and the European Union Member States. These six pairs will be the protagonists of the campaign, and each of them will travel in one of Western Balkans Six sharing their experiences along the way via the creation of their own online content.

Don't miss a second of this exciting journey – start following WeBalkans and all of the vloggers on [Instagram](#) now!

Details of their planned trips as part of the Made of Us campaign can be found in this dedicated [webpage](#).

Happy reading! The WeBalkans.eu team.

Featured stories



EU4Municipalities: Strengthening local governance for better service delivery in Albania

A Grant Scheme to modernise local public infrastructure and build capacities for improved local governance.

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**Bontex: Innovating the
garment industry in Bosnia
and Herzegovina**



**NGO Mozaik empowers
people with disabilities in
Montenegro**

The inspiring story of a successful entrepreneur's return to his homeland.

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A story of social inclusion, creativity and support through the EU-funded ReLOaD2 programme.

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News highlights



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Visa liberalisation: EU adopts visa-free travel for Kosovo

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New BioSense Institute building opens for scientists and start-ups in Serbia

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BiH countersigns Financing Agreement for 70 million euro EU Energy Support Package

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Don't miss these opportunities

- [Award for contribution to the regional cooperation in South East Europe in 2022](#)
- [Thematic Programme on Human Rights and Democracy 2022, MONTENEGRO](#)
- [Culture Moves Europe call for artists](#)

- [Apply now: new Culture Moves Europe call for residency hosts](#)
- [4th Call for project proposals under the IPA CBC Programme Montenegro-Albania 2014-2020](#)
- [The 'EU for Economic Growth' project launches a call for proposals for micro, small and medium-sized enterprises from the Northeast region](#)
- [Open call for journalists to participate in media trips in 2023/24](#)

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YEAs visiting Energy Efficient Laboratories

The Young European Ambassadors (YEAs) [visited Energy Efficient Laboratories](#) in each Western Balkan entity to learn and experience smart living, energy efficiency, and recycling.

In Serbia, five YEAs visited NGO Cap to learn how everyone can apply everyday habits to make our societies greener and to see how waste sorting works. In BiH 4 YEAs visited preschool institution "Labudovi" in Sarajevo which was part of a project to increase energy efficiency through renewed heating system.

In Albania, nine YEAs visited the POLIS University where they learned about hands-on practice to measure energy efficiency thanks to the TEMPUS study programme funded by the EU. In Montenegro, three YEAs visited the country's Electric Energy Transmission System Operator to get an introduction of the company's operations, market integration, as well as the development of renewable energy sources.

In North Macedonia, six YEAs visited the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies to discuss renewables and the green transition. While in Kosovo, five YEAs visited Termokos, the public district heating company to see how EU funded projects helped expansion of the clean thermal energy distribution for the capital Pristina.

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